Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1 through 8 have been amended herein, and new claims 9 through 12 added.

Please note that all claims currently pending and under consideration in the referenced application are shown below. Please enter these claims as amended. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A column line structure for use in a cathode assembly of an FEDa field emission device, comprising:

 a an elongated conductive structure;

 a resistive layer formed disposed on a top surface of said the elongated conductive structure and extending over at least a portion of one or more side surfaces thereof; and an insulative layer formed disposed partly over a top surface of said the resistive layer and having side surfaces substantially coincident with side surfaces of the resistive layer.
- 2. (Currently Amended) The column line structure of Claim 1 wherein saidthe elongated conductive structure comprises metal.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The column line structure of Claim 1 wherein saidthe elongated conductive structure comprises aluminum.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The column line structure of Claim 1 wherein saidthe resistive layer comprises silicon.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The column line structure of Claim 1 wherein saidthe insulative layer comprises silicon oxide.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The column line structure of Claim 1 wherein saidthe insulative layer comprises silicon nitride.

- 7. (Currently Amended) The column line structure of Claim 1 wherein saidthe insulative layer comprises a strip havinghas a thickness of about 1000 Å.
- 8. (Currently Amended) An FEDA field emission device, comprising a cathode assembly and an anode assembly assembled with saidthe cathode assembly, wherein saidthe cathode assembly includes an addressing matrix comprising multiple row lines and elevationally disposed above column lines, saidthe column lines having an insulating layer disposed thereon over a top surface thereof and substantially conforming to lateral dimensions thereofto inhibit shorting with the row lines.
- 9. (New) The field emission device of claim 8, wherein the column lines include at least one conductive layer and a resistive layer disposed over at least a top surface of the at least one conductive layer.
- 10. (New) The field emission device of claim 9, wherein the resistive layer extends over at least a portion of at least one side surface of the at least one conductive layer.
- 11. (New) The field emission device of claim 10, wherein the resistive layer extends over opposing side surfaces of the at least one conductive layer.
- 12. (New) The field emission device of claim 1, wherein the resistive layer is disposed directly on the top surface of the elongated conductive structure.